METHODIST GIRLS' SCHOOL (PRIMARY)
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END-OF-YEAR EXAMINATION
PRIMARY 3

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER 2
(BOOKLET A)

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Section A: Grammar (8 marks)

For each question from 1 to 8, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3, or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

1 The bags of rice _____ heavy. I need help carrying them to the car now.

(1) is
(2) are
(3) was
(4) were

2 It was raining heavily when the accident _____.

(1) happen
(2) happens
(3) happened
(4) was happening

3 _____ Siti was hungry, she did not eat during recess.

(1) If
(2) As
(3) Since
(4) Although

4 My sister and I could not fall asleep last night as we had watched a horror movie. _____ kept us up the whole night!

(1) It
(2) We
(3) She
(4) They

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5 Mrs Lim instructed the children to _____ their temperature when they walked into the classroom.

(1) take
(2) took
(3) takes
(4) taking

6 There was only _____ sugar left so Mariam could not bake the cake. She likes her cake to be sweet.

(1) many
(2) much
(3) a few
(4) a little

7 Karthik will not be late for school if he _____ home on time.

(1) left
(2) leave
(3) leaves
(4) is leaving

8 "Meimei, you are supposed to do your homework now, _____ you?" Xueping questioned her sister.

(1) isn't
(2) don't
(3) aren't
(4) doesn't

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Section B: Vocabulary (6 marks)

For each question from 9 to 14, four options are given. One of them is the correct answer. Make your choice (1, 2, 3, or 4) and shade your answer on the Optical Answer Sheet.

9 Jeralyn was _____ when her teacher praised her for showing improvement in her spelling.

(1) as busy as a bee
(2) as wise as an owl
(3) as proud as a peacock
(4) as hardworking as an ant

10 Mrs Raja had to _____ the party to a later date as only five people could gather at her house due to the pandemic.

(1) put up
(2) put off
(3) put out
(4) put down

11 The _____ at the football match cheered loudly when Bryan scored a goal for Singapore.

(1) patrons
(2) witnesses
(3) spectators
(4) customers

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12 "That man has been loitering outside our school for a long time. He looks _____. Let's report him to the police!" Giselle exclaimed.

(1) innocent
(2) exhausted
(3) suspicious
(4) approachable

13 My friends and I clapped joyously when the principal _____ during assembly that our class was one of the cleanest in school.

(1) informed
(2) introduced
(3) advertised
(4) announced

14 Ramu was careless. He _____ threw the ball too high and it hit the beehive!

(1) purposely
(2) cautiously
(3) deliberately
(4) accidentally

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Section C: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. **Underline** the correct word from the words given in the brackets.

Polar bears are soon becoming extinct. As one of the species most affected by the climate change, there **(15)** [is / are] much concern over their fate.

Climate change **(16)** [reduce / reduces] the amount of sea ice in their homes. This means that the polar bears **(17)** [need / needs] to travel longer distances to hunt and mate.

To help save the polar bears, everyone **(18)** [has / have] a part to play. Let us save them by taking public transport so that less energy is used.

Adapted from "*15 Animals That Will Be Extinct by 2050 If We Don't Help by Ian Carey*"

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Section D: Grammar Cloze (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. Choose the correct word from the words given in the box and fill in the blanks. **WRITE THE LETTER ONLY. USE EACH WORD ONCE ONLY.**

(A) around	(B) away	(C) down
(D) into	(E) off	(F) with

It was a beautiful day. Andrew and Bobby had been fishing the whole morning.

"The water looks inviting. I'm going for a swim," Andrew remarked and immediately jumped _____ **(19)** the cool water. "Watch out for jellyfish. There are some lurking _____ **(20)**. They might sting you," warned Bobby. However, Andrew paid no attention.

Moments later, there was a loud scream. "Help! Jellyfish!" Instantly, Bobby started the motorboat and sped towards Andrew. The waves created as the motorboat sped past Andrew pushed the floating jellyfish _____ **(21)** from him. Andrew scrambled onto the boat _____ **(22)** visible red spots all over his body as a result of the stings. It was indeed a painful encounter for Andrew.

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Section E: Editing (4 marks)

Read the passage carefully. The words that are underlined have either a spelling or grammatical error. Write the correct word in each of the boxes. Put the correct punctuation mark in the circle.

Scientists think that sleep is the time when the body repairs itself. The human

(23) [ ]

brain is the control centre for sleep. It sends messages to the body as it goes **throo**

several stages of sleep each night.

(24) [ ]

During the first stage, the eyes close and the muscles begin to **relaxing**. You may have seen a classmate fall into this stage of sleep at school. As your classmate's muscles relax, her head may drop or her pencil may fall from her hand. If you gently touch your friend, she should wake up easily before the teacher notices!

Once the muscles relax, the body moves quickly into the second stage. This

(25) [ ]

is light sleep and most people still **hears** sounds or feel touch at this point. Next comes a period of deeper sleep. During the third stage, the body does not respond

(26) [ ]

easily anymore. It is also not aware if the **seroundings** are hot or cold. It is harder to wake someone from this stage than from one of the earlier stages.

Adapted from *"Sleeping for Good Health"*

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Section F: Synthesis (2 marks)

For each of the questions **27** and **28**, rewrite the given sentence(s) using the word(s) provided. Your answer must be in one sentence. The meaning of the sentence must be the same as the meaning of the given sentence(s).

27 I am going to borrow books. My siblings are also going to borrow books.

_____ **and**

_____.

28 The mutton curry was spicy. Stella could not finish it.

_____

because _____.

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Section G: Comprehension Cloze (6 marks)

Fill in each blank with the most suitable word.

Kevin was our class clown who liked to do silly things to make everyone **(29)** _____ . Whenever our teacher, Mrs Ang was not looking, he would either make funny faces behind her back, or even create his own dance steps. Sometimes, we could not control **(30)** _____ and would burst out laughing, much to Mrs Ang's annoyance.

One day, Kevin was up to his usual antics. He **(31)** _____ up to Mrs Ang's desk and placed a life-like rubber cockroach on it. Unfortunately for Mrs Ang, she did not notice the cockroach and placed her hands on it while talking to us. When she **(32)** _____ it, she gave a loud and piercing **(33)** _____. Her face was as white as sheet, and we all thought that Kevin would be in serious trouble.

To our surprise, Mrs Ang did not **(34)** _____ Kevin for his prank. She just told him not to do it again next time.

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Section H: Comprehension 1 (4 marks)

Read the following passage carefully and answer questions **35 to 38**.

"I'm jumping off the diving board today," Jacob told his dad. "Really?" responded his dad. The diving board was high. Nonetheless, Jacob had just passed his swim test and wanted to mark the occasion by jumping off the board. He watched the other kids climb the long ladder. They walked all the way out to the end of the board, spread their arms, bent their knees and sprang up. And then they dove down. Splash! "Looks easy," Jacob said.

Jacob stood at the bottom of the ladder and looked up. "You can go before me if you want," he told the kids behind him. "I need to think about what kind of special jump I'm going to do." After a minute, Jacob started to climb up the ladder. The ladder was very tall, he thought. Sensing that Jacob was slowing down, his father called out, "Are you okay?"

"I'm just a little tired," Jacob retorted. "Maybe you should climb down and take a tiny rest," suggested his dad. A tiny rest sounded like a good idea and Jacob climbed back down. "It's okay to feel a little scared," comforted his dad. "Sometimes, if I feel scared, I take a deep breath and tell myself I am ready."

Jacob took a deep breath and felt the air fill his body. He looked up and began to climb up again, until he got to the top. Jacob stood up straight. He walked all the way to the end of the board cautiously. At the end of the board, he looked out as far as he could see. He felt he was ready. He took a deep breath, spread his arms and bent his knees. Then, he sprang up and off the board, flying! Jacob hit the water with a splash. He went down deep into the water and then came back up. When he floated back up, he exclaimed, "Double backflip is next!"

Adapted from "Jabari Jumps" by Gaia Cornwall, 2017

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35 Jacob wanted to jump off the diving board because _____. [1m]

(1) the diving board was high.

(2) he had just passed his swim test.

(3) he was keen to try out some kind of special jump.

(4) the other kids made it look easy. ( )

36 Which word has the same meaning as "realising"?

Circle either **(A)** or **(B)**. [1m]

> **Sensing** (A) that Jacob was slowing down, his dad called out, "Are you okay?" "I'm just a little tired," Jacob **retorted** (B).

For questions 37 to 38, read each statement and tick (✓) indicating whether the statement is **true** or **false**. [2m]

An example has been done for you.

	Statement	True	False
Example	Jacob was at the swimming pool with his dad.	✓	
37	Jacob climbed down from the board because he felt tired.		
38	Eventually, Jacob enjoyed jumping off the diving board.		

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Section I: Comprehension 2 (8 marks)

Read the passage carefully and answer questions **39 to 43**.

Adam's little sister, Billie, yearned to go to Merlion Primary School with Adam, but she was too young. Every morning, when she and Mother said goodbye to Adam at the school gate, she tried to get out of the stroller to go with him. "You'll be able to come to school with me one day," Adam told her kindly. "But you are not old enough yet." This did not appease Billie. She kicked her feet about grumpily when she saw him enter the school.

In a month's time, there was going to be a special day at the school when all the families would be invited to attend a mid-year concert. The children rehearsed very hard for it. Some were going to play drums and triangles while others were going to sing. Adam was going to be the lead singer in his class performance. The children also designed and painted the lovely programme sheets.

When the day of the concert came, everyone was ushered into the auditorium. When everyone was seated, Miss Rina, one of the music teachers, struck up a tune on the piano and all the children began to sing and play their very best. Then, a very embarrassing thing happened...

Billie wriggled off Mother's lap and ran up the stage to stand next to Adam. She was determined to join in with the singing though she did not know the words. Adam went pink in the face. He looked across at Mother, and Mother looked at him. They both knew very well that if either of them tried to make Billie go back to her seat, she would make a terrible fuss.

Adam held her hand tightly and went on singing. Luckily, Billie behaved very well. She just stood there, proudly beaming at everyone. After the performance, Adam and his classmates bowed to the audience and the audience gave a resounding roar of applause. Billie ran back to sit on Mother's lap again, good as gold.

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"Having a little sister is a lot of responsibility sometimes," Adam said to Mother when they were getting ready to go home. "You're quite right. Nonetheless, you have saved the concert for everyone, Adam, and I'm so proud of you!" Mother grinned.

Adapted from "*Alfie at Nursery School*" by Shirley Hughes

Answer the following questions.

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39 Which word from Paragraph 1 has the same meaning as "irritably"? [1m]

40 Write **1**, **2** and **3** in the blanks below to indicate the order in which the events occurred in the story. [1m]

_____ The children began singing.

_____ Miss Rina struck up a tune on the piano.

_____ Billie ran up onto the stage.

For questions **41 to 43**, write your answers in complete sentences.

41 From the passage, Adam and his schoolmates put in a lot of effort to prepare for the concert. What did they do? [2m]

(i) _____.

(ii) _____.

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42 State whether each statement is **True** or **False**.
Give a reason for your answer. [2m]

	Statement	True / False	Reason
i.	Adam was embarrassed that Billie ran up the stage and stood next to him.		
ii.	Billie was happy that she joined her brother on stage in the performance.		

43 Explain clearly why Adam's mother was proud of him. [2m]

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2	3	4	1	1	4	3	3	3	2
Q 11	Q12	Q13	Q14						
3	3	4	4						

Q15)	is
Q16)	reduces
Q17)	need
Q18)	has
Q19)	D
Q20)	A
Q21)	B
Q22)	F
Q23)	through
Q24)	relax
Q25)	hear
Q26)	surroundings
Q27)	My siblings and I are going to borrow books.
Q28)	Stella could not finish the mutton curry because it was spicy.
Q29)	laugh
Q30)	ourselves
Q31)	sneaked
Q32)	felt
Q33)	scream
Q34)	scold
Q35)	2

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Q36)	Ⓐ Sensing
Q37)	False
Q38)	True
Q39)	grumpily
Q40)	2 1 3
Q41)	i) They rehearsed very hard for the concert. ii) They designed and painted the lovely programme sheets.
Q42)	i) True. Adam went pink in the face. ii) True. Billie stood on the stage with Adam and the other children, proudly beaming at everyone.
Q43)	She was proud of him as he managed to held Billie's hand and made her well behaved, standing there proudly beaming at everyone.

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